

Checklist for Wood Recyclers – Waste Wood Classification

This guide sets out the steps that wood recyclers need to take now that RPS291 has been removed and we have reached a final position on the Waste Wood Classification Project. See updated Waste Wood Assessment Guide for full details.

1. **Update your Acceptable Materials Schedule** to reflect that the previously hazardous 'amber' waste wood items from demolition or refurbishment are now classified as treated, non-hazardous.

See the WRA's updated sample Acceptable Materials Guide and updated Wood Grading System for guidance.

2. **Ensure all customers who are supplying waste wood to your site** know about the outcome of the Waste Wood Classification Project. [You may want to share our press release](#) and forward the updated Waste Wood Assessment Guide.
3. Train operatives inspecting wood on your site on the outcome of the Waste Wood Classification Project and record it in your training records.
4. If customers bring industrial wood into your site, please remind them that this, alongside telegraph poles, railway sleepers and other items treated with creosote, is still classified as hazardous and cannot be accepted. This must be taken to a site with a licence to process hazardous waste wood – see [Twinwoods](#). If customers choose to test their industrial wood to prove that it is non-hazardous, they should use the WRA02 testing suite and ask their lab to share the results using the WRA folder on HazWaste online.